

# State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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# **Inspection Report** Minerals Regulatory Program

Reviewed:

August 27, 2008

Mine Name: Pine Ridge **Operator Name:** Kimmerle Mining

Inspector(s): Paul Baker Other Participants: None Mine Status: Inactive

Permit number: S0370120 Inspection Date: July 30, 2008

Time: 4:0-4:15 PM

Weather: Mostly clear, 80s

Elements of Inspection	Evaluated	Comment	Enforcement
<ol> <li>Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds, Permit Fees</li> <li>Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)</li> <li>Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control</li> <li>Deleterious Material</li> <li>Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)</li> <li>Concurrent Reclamation</li> <li>Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls, shafts, drill holes)</li> </ol>			
<ul><li>8. Soils</li><li>9. Revegetation</li><li>10. Other</li></ul>			

# **Purpose of Inspection:**

This was a routine inspection.

# **Inspection Summary:**

1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds, Permit Fees

On April 2, 2008, the Division found the notice of intention complete and approved the reclamation surety. The Division jointly holds with the Forest Service a surety of \$5900.00 which is in the form of a certificate of deposit.

#### 10. Other

This is the site of an underground mine that was reclaimed in the late 1990s and released in 2001. The operator pulled material back from where I presume the portal was, but the exact portal location was not evident. The operator is permitted for one acre of disturbance, and much less than this area has been disturbed. The road is overgrown, and the operator disturbed very little of this vegetation while accessing the site.

### **Conclusions and Recommendations:**

If the site is to be inactive through the winter or longer, I recommend that the operator plant interim vegetation in the disturbed areas.

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Inspector's Signature

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# **Directions:**

Directions to the site are given in an inspection report for the previously permitted site, M0370035. The inspection was done August 22, 2001.

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cc: Kylw Kimmerle, Kimmerle Mining

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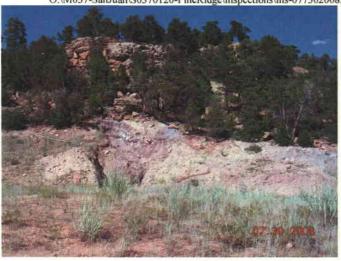


Photo 1. This picture and Photo 2 are overviews of the disturbed area.

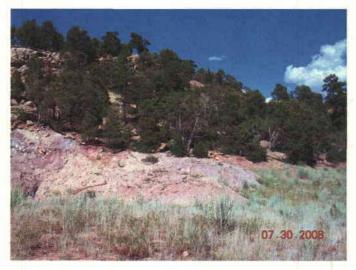


Photo 2.



Photo 3. Detail of where the operator has dug.



Photo 4. Looking away from the operator's disturbance toward the reclaimed waste rock pad from the former operation.

